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TAGS: EAID, JA, V , VN, CB, LA

SUBJECT: JAPANESE AID TO INDOCHINA

SUMMARY: GOJ HAS MADE GRANT OF 500 MILLION YEN TO RVN FOR REFUGEE RELIEF. GOJ HAS ALSO MADE YEN 500 MILLION GRANT TO RED CROSS IOG FOR RELIEF IN INDOCHINA EXCEPT RVN. GOR HAS DISPATCHED MISSION TO RVN TO STUDY RAILWAY RECONSTRUCTION. END SUMMARY.

1. ON OCTOBER 4, HAMANO, FIRST SOUTHEAST ASIA DIVISION, FONOFF, IN RESPONSE TO EMBOFF'S QUERY, SAID THAT GOJ AND GVN EXCHANGED LETTERS IN SAIGON OCTOBER 3 PROVIDING FOR YEN 500 MILLION (ABOUT \$1.89 MILLION) GRANT AID TO GVN FOR HOUSING (YEN 175 MILLION) AND AGRICULTURAL TOOLS

KYEN 125 MILLION) FOR REFUGEES. ACUTAL DISBURSEMENT OF THIS GRANT MAY TAKE SOME TIME AS COMMODITIES MUST BE PROCURED BY GVN THROUGH CONTRACTS WITH JAPANESE SUPPLIERS; EVEN SO, GOJ HOPES TO COMPLETE DISBURSEMENT BEFORE END OF JFY 1973 (MARCH 31, 1974). HAMANO DECLINED TO CHARACTERIZE GRANT AS TIED, SAYING THAT IF BOTH GOJ AND GVN AGREED, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SOME PORTION OF GOODS COULD BE IMPORTED FROM THIRD COUNTRIES.

HE CITED THAILAND, MALAYSIA, AND INDONESIA AS POSSIBLE SOURCES.

2. GOJ AMBASSADOR IN GENEVA ALSO EXCHANGED LETTERS WITH DIRECTOR OF RED CROSS IOG WITHIN LAST DAY OR SO PROVIDING FOR YEN 500 MILLION CASH GRANT TO IOG FOR RELIEF WORK IN INDOCHINA COUNTRIES WXCEPT SOUTH VIETNAM. AS GRANT IS CASH, DISBURSEMENT TO IOG WILL TACE VERY LITTLE TIME; ACTUAL DISBURSEMENT BY IOG WILL TAKE LONGER.

3. ON OCTOBER 3 GOJ DISPATCHED MISSION UNDER OVRSEAS TECHNICAL COOPERATION AGENCY (OTCA) AUSPICES TO RVN. THIS MI SION, CONSISTING OF EXPERTS FROM JAPANESE NATIONAL RAILWAYS, MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION, AND OTCA, WILL BE IN RVN FOR ABOUT ONE MONTH TO CONDUCT TECHNICAL STUDIES AND FORMULATE ROUGH PLANS CONCERNING RECONSTRUCTION ON THE SAIGON-HUE RAILWAY. MISSION WILL NOT DISCUSS FINANCIAL MATTERS WITH GVN. AFTER MISSION'S RETURN, GOJ WILL REVIEW TEAM'S FINDINGS AND THEN DECIDE WHAT ACTION TO TAKE.

4. COMMENT: POSSIOILITY ON GOJ YEN ONE BILLION AID TO INDOCHINA REFUGEES WAS DISCUSSED DURING NOOTER/ BARGER CONSULTATIONS WITH GOJ IN JULY. ACCORDING TO FONOFF, GRANTS DESCRIBED PARA 1 AND PARA 2, AND EXPENSES OF MISSION DESCRIBED PARA 3 (WHICH GOJ COUNTS AS ODA GRANT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE WILL PROBABLY BE DISTINCT FROM PROMISED YEN 50 MILLION TO RVN AND RUMORED YEN 20 MILLION TO NVN THIS JNY. INGERSOLL

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